

Codes, Codes Everywhere?

State Codes?

Zoning Codes?

City Ordinances?



Neighborhood Quality Does it All

Accumulation of Solid Waste

Sec 14.5-5

Sec. 14.5-5. Unlawful storage and accumulation of solid waste.

It shall be unlawful for any person to accumulate, store, leave, place or deposit or allow to be accumulated, stored, left, placed or deposited, any solid waste on any property within the city, except as authorized by applicable permit. It shall be the burden of the alleged violator to show proof of an applicable permit.

- ***Solid waste:*** Litter, garbage, trash, industrial waste, bulk waste, yard waste, commercial waste, hazardous waste, structural waste, tires, or any other condition, substance, material, product or thing which may be detrimental or potentially harmful to health, safety, comfort and general welfare of the public or the environment



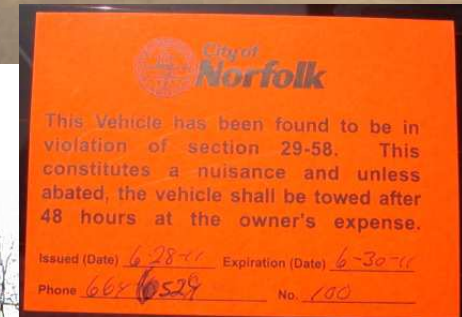
Junk /Inoperable Vehicles

Sec 29-58

Sec. 29-58. Open storage of inoperable vehicles on property zoned for residential or commercial purposes.

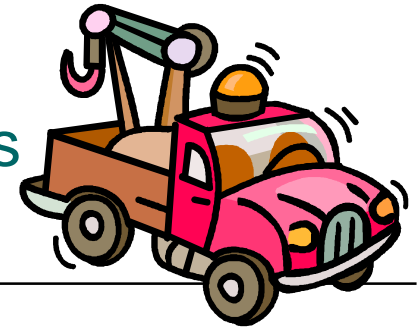
(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or permit the keeping on any property or parcel of land zoned for residential or commercial purposes, except in a fully enclosed building or structure, any inoperable vehicle. For purposes of this section, an inoperable vehicle is one which:

- **(1) Is missing tires, wheels, the engine, or essential parts; or**
- **(2) Displays extensive body damage or deterioration; or**
- **(3) Does not display a current, valid state license and a current state inspection; or**
- **(4) Is wrecked, disassembled or partially disassembled; or**
- **(5) Which is not in operating condition.**
- **(8) *Owner means the owner of the vehicle or, if the owner of the vehicle cannot be ascertained, the owner of the premises.***



Commercial Vehicles/Residential Areas

Sec 25-293



- **Sec. 25-293. Parking of buses, trucks, trailers, etc. in residence district or on city streets and public places.**
- a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park or store, or cause or permit to be parked or stored, at anytime and in any place in an area zoned as a residence district under the zoning ordinance of the City of Norfolk, or on any of the streets, alleys or other public places of the city outside a residence district between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day, any of the following vehicles:
 - (1) Truck.
 - (2) Tractor cab.
 - (3) Motor passenger bus.
 - (4) Trailer.
 - (5) Semi-trailer.
 - (6) Taxi.
 - (7) Limousine.
 - (8) Tow truck.
 - (9) Dump truck.
 - (10) Stake body truck.
 - (11) Step van.
 - (12) Roll back tow truck.
 - (13) Flat bed truck.
 - (14) A van, pickup truck, or panel truck used primarily for business or commercial use.
- (b) This section shall not apply to any vehicle which is:
 - (1) Actively engaged in loading or unloading;
 - (2) Performing an actual service call;
 - (3) A school bus parked during school hours in a residence district between school bus runs;
 - (4) A school bus less than twenty thousand (20,000) pounds gross vehicle weight rating (gvwr) (less than thirty (30) passenger capacity) parked in a driveway in a residence district; or
 - (5) One van, pickup truck or panel truck less than seventy-five hundred (7,500) pounds gross vehicle weight rating (gvwr) per lot parked in a driveway in a residence district.
 - (6) One taxi per lot parked behind the front plane of the residence building in a residence district.
 - (7) A taxi parked for one hour or less on a public street in a residence district.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section (a), it shall be unlawful to park or store, or cause or permit to be parked or stored, any semi-trailer or trailer on any of the streets, alleys or other public places of the city when such semi-trailer or trailer is not attached to a licensed and registered power unit for propulsion.
- (d) For purposes of this section, the definition of truck, trailer, semi-trailer and school bus shall be as provided in Virginia Code section 46.2-100.



Commercial Vehicles



Recreational Vehicles in Residential Areas Sec 25-293.2

Parking of recreational vehicles, boats, personal watercraft, and trailers for said items, in a residence district.

(a) No recreational vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, or trailer for said item, shall be parked or stored in the front yard of a lot or on a public street or right-of-way, in a residence district, unless it is parked or stored in a garage, carport, or accessory building.

(b) No recreational vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, or trailer for said item, shall be parked or stored in the side yard of a lot in a residence district if it exceeds six (6) feet in height above the ground; provided however, that masts, antennas, vent stacks and windshields may exceed this height limitation.

(c) No recreational vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, or trailer for said item, shall be parked or stored in the rear yard of a residence district unless it is located at least five (5) feet from the rear or side lot line.

(d) The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall not apply to a recreational vehicle, boat, personal watercraft or trailer for said item, engaged in actual loading or unloading activity.

(e) The terms "rear yard", "side yard", "front yard", "residence district", and "lot" shall be as determined, defined and set out in the city's zoning ordinance.

(f) Any designated special police officer, fire marshal, or any of his assistants, or law enforcement officer may enforce the provisions of this section.

(g) For purposes of this section, recreational vehicle means every vehicular-type unit designed or used as temporary living or sleeping quarters for recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use, that either has its own motive power or is mounted on, or is towed by, another vehicle. This includes but is not limited to a travel trailer, fifth-wheel trailer, camping trailer, and motor home.



Parking of Motor Vehicles on Unimproved Surface of the Front Yard Sec 25-293-1

- **Parking of motor vehicles on the unimproved surface of the front yard, corner side yard or buffer yard of a lot in a residence district.**
- **(a) It shall be unlawful to park or store, or cause or allow to be parked or stored, any motor vehicle on an unimproved surface, including, but not limited to dirt or grass, or in an area not approved by the director of public works, in the front yard, corner side yard or buffer yard of a lot in a residence district.**
- **(b) For purposes of this section the term "motor vehicle" shall be defined as set forth in Virginia Code section 46.2-100; and the terms "front yard", "buffer yard", "corner side yard", "residence district", and "lot" shall be as determined, defined, and set forth in the city's zoning ordinance.**
- **(c) Any designated special police officer, fire marshal or any of his assistances, or law enforcement officer may enforce the provisions of this section.**



Tall Grass and Weeds

Sec 27-2

- **Sec. 27-2. Definitions.**
- **(a) For purposes of this article, a "nuisance" is defined as any condition, substance, material or thing which may be annoying, obnoxious, offensive, irritating or detrimental or potentially hazardous or detrimental to the health, safety, comfort and general welfare of the public or the environment, including, but not limited to, refuse, trash, rubbish, debris, junk, garbage, containers, wire, glass, wood, ashes, animal matter, vegetable matter, human and animal wastes, and odors.**
- **(b) For purposes of this article, a "person" is defined as any individual, firm, owner, sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, unincorporated association, governmental body, municipal corporation, executor, administrator, trustee, guardian, agent, occupant or other legal entity.**
- **(c) For purposes of this article, "vegetable matter" is defined as any grass, weeds, bushes, underbrush, poison ivy, poison oak or any other vegetable matter which has grown to sufficient height and cover or to a height of more than twelve (12) inches or accumulated so as to provide cover or harborage or potential cover or harborage for rodents or vermin.**



Various Building Codes Violations under the USBC

- **Sec. 11.1-1. Adoption.**
- The Uniform Statewide Building Code, including the property maintenance provisions, as promulgated by the Virginia State Board of Housing and Community Development, as amended, along with its associated referenced standards hereby are adopted by the City of Norfolk as a comprehensive body of law which is and shall hereafter be cited as the Uniform Statewide Building Code, USBC, or the Building Code of the City of Norfolk.
- (Ord. No. 34,384, § 1, 3-17-87; Ord. No. 39,590, § 9, 5-18-99)



Typical Interior Violations

- **Sanitary Conditions: Mold - Debris- Insects- Vermin**
- **Exits: free of obstructions - Safety**
- **Windows, Doors, Stairs: Operational - Safety**
- **Heating systems: Operational - Safety**
 - Gas equipment – vents: Condition - Safety
- **Plumbing facilities: Operational- Sanitary conditions**
 - Water heater – Condition - Safety
 - Sinks-toilets-bathtubs – Condition - Safety
- **Electrical: Safety - Operational**
 - Wiring-outlets – Equipment Condition
 - Service Equipment - Meter Base Condition
 - Smoke Detector - Functionality
- **Structural Integrity – Safety**
- **Walls, floors, ceiling, attic: Condition**



Typical Exterior Violations

- Foundation Integrity: Concrete Failure – Soil Condition
- Exterior Wall: Condition - Structural Integrity
- Siding: Condition - Functionality
- Window and Door: Condition - Operation
- Chimney, Roof, Gutters: Condition and Functionality
- Porches, balconies, Guard Rails and Decks: Condition



Notices & Placards?



Graffiti

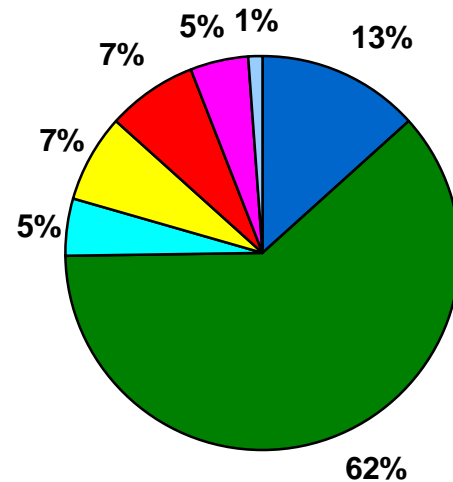


What in the World??



NQ 2011 Year in Review

○ Nuisance Cases	12,408
○ Housing	2,674
○ Emergency	1,512
○ Abatements	1,477
○ Special Programs	989
○ Zoning	930
○ Misc.	230
○ Total of	20,220



Who to Call?????????



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